

Cozy mysteries have little graphic violence, concentrating instead on the character and motivation of the murderer. In most cases the main character of the series is an amateur detective who happens to stumble across the case. The stories are often set in small towns where everyone knows each other.

Listings are in order by author; sample titles appear under the name of the series' central character.

**Albert, Susan Wittig**

China Bayles, herbalist  
*Mourning Gloria*  
*Nightshade*

**Atherton, Nancy**

Aunt Dimity, helpful ghost  
*Aunt Dimity's Down Under*  
*Aunt Dimity Takes a Holiday*

**Barron, Stephanie**

Jane Austen, writer  
*Jane and the Ghosts of Netley*  
*Jane and the Wandering Eye*(LP)

**Beaton, M.C.**

Agatha Raisin, nosy retiree  
*Agatha Raisin and the Fairies of Fryfam*  
*Agatha Raisin and the Case of the Curious Curate*  
Hamish MacBeth, police constable  
*Death of a Dustman*  
*Death of a Valentine*

**Balzo, Sandra**

Maggie Thorsen – coffeehouse owner  
*Grounds for Murder*

**Berenson, Laurien**

Melanie Travis, poodle owner  
*Chow Down*  
*Best in Show*

**Block, Lawrence**

Bernie Rhodenbarr, cat burglar and used bookstore proprietor  
*The Burglar on the Prowl*  
*The Burglar Who Painted Like Mondrian*

**Borthwick, J.S.**

Sarah Deane, a graduate student and Alex McKenzie, a doctor in Maine  
*Murder in the Rough*  
*Intensive Scare Unit*

**Bowen, Rhys**

Lady Georgiana, impoverished aristocrat  
*Naughty in Nice*  
*A Royal Pain*

**Braun, Lilian Jackson**

Jim Qwilleran, journalist, with Koko and Yum Yum, Siamese cats  
*The Cat Who Ate Danish Modern*  
*The Cat Who Blew the Whistle*

**Brett, Simon**

Mrs. Pargeter, gangster widow  
*Mrs. Pargeter's Plot*  
*Mrs. Pargeter's Point of Honor*

**Brown, Rita Mae**

Mrs. Murphy, cat, and Harry Haristeen, postmistress  
*Cat's Eyewitness*  
*Tail of the Tip-Off*

**Chesney, Marion**

Captain Harry Cathcart, Edwardian England  
*Snobbery with Violence*  
*Sick of Shadows*

**Christie, Agatha**

Miss Marple, English spinster  
*A Murder is Announced*  
*Murder at the Vicarage*

**Churchill, Jill**

Jane Jeffry, busy single mother  
*The House of Seven Mabels*  
*The Accidental Florist*  
Siblings Lily and Robert Brewster (Grace & Favor mysteries)  
*It Had to be You*  
*Who's Sorry Now?*

**Cleland, Jane**

Josie Prescott, an antiques dealer  
*Deadly Appraisal*  
*Killer Keepsakes*

**Crane, Hamilton**

Miss Seeton, retired art teacher  
*Sweet Miss Seeton*  
*Miss Seeton Undercover*

**Daheim, Mary**

Judith McMonigle Flynn, B&B owner  
*ViAgra Falls*  
*Scots on the Rocks*  
Emma Lord, newspaper editor  
*The Alpine Quilt*  
*The Alpine Scandal*

**Davidson, Diane Mott**

Goldy Bear, caterer  
*The Cereal Murders*  
*Sticks and Scones*

**Fluke, Joanne**

Hannah Swensen, bakery owner  
*Cream Puff Murder*  
*Blueberry Muffin Murder*

**George, Anne**

Mary Alice and Patricia Anne, 60ish  
 sisters from Alabama  
*Murder Boogies with Elvis*  
*Murder Shoots the Bull*

**Gilman, Dorothy**

Emily Pollifax, elderly widow and CIA  
 operative  
*Mrs. Pollifax, Innocent Tourist*  
*A Palm for Mrs. Pollifax*

**Harris, Charlaire**

Aurora Teagarden, librarian  
*Last Scene Alive*  
*A Fool and His Honey*

**Hess, Joan**

Arly Hanks, chief of police  
*Muletrain to Maggody*  
*Maggody in manhattan*

**Kemelman, Harry**

David Small, rabbi  
*Friday the Rabbi Slept Late*  
*Tuesday the Rabbi Saw Red*

**McKinlay, Jenn**

Lindsey Norris, Library director  
*Due or Die*  
*Books Can be Deceiving*

**Myers, Tamar**

Magdalena Yoder, Mennonite innkeeper  
*Thou Shalt not Grill*  
*Gruel and Unusual Punishment*

**Peters, Elizabeth**

Amelia Peabody, archaeologist (1890's  
 England and Egypt)  
*The Falcon at the Portal*  
*He Shall Thunder in the Sky*

**Peters, Ellis**

Brother Cadfael, monk (12th century  
 England)  
*The Hermit of Eyton Forest*  
*The Holy Thief*

**Fowler, Earlene**

Albenia "Benni" Harper, an ex-rancher  
 and folk art museum curator  
*Seven Sisters*  
*State Fair*

**Roberts, Gillian**

Amanda Pepper, English teacher  
*Claire and Present Danger*  
*Helen Hath No Fury*

**Sayers, Dorothy**

Lord Peter Wimsey, English noble and  
 crime hobbyist (1930's England)  
*The Attenbury Emeralds*  
*Gaudy Night (audio)*

**Scoppettone, Sandra**

Fay Quick, private eye, 1940s New York  
*Too Darn Hot*  
*This Dame for Hire*

**Viets, Elaine**

Helen Hawthorne, Dead end job  
 mysteries  
*Clubbed to Death*  
*Half-price Homicide*

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